WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION MINUTES November 5th, 2012

The West Lafayette Police Merit Commission met in regular session in the Lower Level Conference Room of City Hall on November 5, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

Commission President Corrigan called the meeting to order and presided.

PRESENT: Commissioners Corrigan, No, Troyer, Kirkpatrick and Shafer.

ALSO PRESENT: Commission Attorney Brooks and Deputy Chief Leroux

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commission President requested that the minutes from the October meeting be approved. Commissioner Kirkpatrick noted that there was an error in the minutes and made a motion to have the minutes amended. Commissioner Troyer made a motion to amend the minutes. There was discussion and the motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commission President Corrigan discussed the setting up of the examination for the new candidates with the date set for January 5th, 2013, with confirmation of that date by Deputy Chief Leroux. Commission President Corrigan confirmed that the examination will be held at Lambert Field house. Deputy Chief Leroux stated that the registration would be started at 8:00 am with the testing beginning at 8:30. Candidates have until the 9th of November to get in their full application and then there will be a list given to the Merit Commission once the Police Dept has all the applications. Lt. Watson will coordinate that with Diane Foster from HR. Commissioner Shafer asked if there would be help needed and Deputy Chief responded by saying that they don't need help but the Commission is welcome to come and watch the process. Commissioner Kirkpatrick inquired as to where the written test would be held. Deputy Chief Leroux said it would be held in the West Lafayette Police Department training room depending on the number of applicants. The other commissioner's wondered about using a room at Lambert for the testing so the applicants wouldn't have to drive to change locations. It was determined that there is an hour break given between sessions. There was no further discussion in regard to this issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commission President asked for new business and Deputy Chief Leroux had an item he wished to discuss with the Commissioners. The Section 5, Police Promotional Section,

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Deputy Chief Leroux gave the Chief's Report in which he stated that the calls for service were down 10% from September of 2012. It was a busy month since there were two home Purdue football games and the Purdue half marathon, which had 2500 runners in it, so a lot of time was spent on special events this month. We had two cases that were high profile cases, a conviction for rape of a college student, the offender got 23 and a half years on that conviction. Det. Sgt Marion received the Officer of the Quarter for her work on that case and a 1996 rape conviction. She also investigated the case of abuse of the 17 day old baby as well. Officer Bonnell is in his second rotation of his FTO program. He is the last Merit Commission hire, and is doing an outstanding job. Officer Bonnell will be "on his own" prior to Christmas.

Commissioner Shafer moved that the meeting be adjourned and Commissioner Kirkpatrick seconded that motion. It was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

The next meeting will be held on December 10th, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the lower level conference room.

Bob Troyer, Secretary

Attest:

Don Corrigan, President